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SUBJ: YUGOSLAV REACTION TO LYONS ATTACK

1. YUGOSLAV COMMENT ON ATTACK ON THEIR VICE-CONSUL IN LYONS REFLECTS HOW SHARPLY (AND AT TIMES IRRATIONALLY) THEY REACT TO ANTI-YUGOSLAV TERRORISM. APR 1 BORBA SAYS FRANCE HAS JOINED THE "INGLORIOUS LIST" OF COUNTRIES (INCLUDING AUSTRALIA, FRG, USA, SWEDEN AND AUSTRIA) WHICH "IN THE THE NAME OF SOME 'POLITICAL AND DEMOCRATIC FREEDOM" PERMIT NEO-FASCIST ORGANIZATIONS AND ANTI-YUGOSLAV ACTIVITY ON THEIR SOIL. MAR 31 POLITIKA LISTS SIX UNSOLVED ANTI-YUGOSLAV TERRORISTS INCIDENTS IN FRANCE, INCLUDING (SPECIOUSLY) JAN '75 ROCKETING OF JAT AIRLINER AT ORLY. POLITIKA NOTES PREVIOUS FRENCH PROMISES TO PROTECT YUGUSLAV DIPLOMATS BUT OPINES "TRAGIC EVENT IN LYONS COULD PROBABLY HAVE BEEN AVOIDED IF SUFFICIENTLY EFFECTIVE AND ENERGETIC MEASURES HAD BEEN TAKEN IN DUE TIME." SIMILAR COMMENTARIES CARRIED BY VECERNJE NOVOSTI AND VECERNJE LIST. AS WELL AS TANJUG.

2. PARALLEL DEMARCHES PRESENTED TO FRENCH IN PARIS AND BELGRADE TOOK SLIGHTLY MODIFIED BUT STILL AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE IN DEMANDING "MOST RESOLUTE MEASURES" TOWARD SOLVING CRIME.

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3. THIS INCIDENT AGAIN ILLUSTRATES THAT THE PHILOSOPHICAL

JUSTIFICATION

THE YUGOSLAVS APPLY TO TERRORIST ACTIONS IN THE NAME OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS DISAPPEARS WHEN THE TERRORISM IS "FASCIST" OR "NEO-FASCIST" AND DIRECTED AGAINST THEM. TOON

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